



HOLY SPIRIT

Episcopal Church

Where ALL are welcome.

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2024

10:30am

The Rt. Reverend Russell Kendrick, Bishop
The Reverend William M. Lowry III, Rector

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

ENTRANCE HYMN

Bless'd Jesus, at thy word

Hymnal 440



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SONG OF PRAISE*Glory to God*

Hymnal S 280

The following is sung, all standing as able

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit.

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3

A Reading from the book of Daniel.

At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 16

Please read with me the Psalm responsively by half verse. (Responses in bold.)

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *

I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

²All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *

upon those who are noble among the people.

- ³But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- ⁴Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- ⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
- ⁶My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- ⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me night after night.
- ⁸I have set the LORD always before me; *
because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall.
- ⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.
- ¹⁰For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- ¹¹You will show me the path of life; *
**in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-25

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our

hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

GRADUAL HYMN *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart* Hymnal 488

All stand as able.

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,

all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!

thou my best thought,— by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart,— what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8

All stand as able.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Will Lowry

Epitaph

by King Crimson

The wall on which the prophets wrote is cracking at the seams
Upon the instruments of death the sunlight brightly gleams
When every man is torn apart with nightmares and with dreams
Will no one lay the laurel wreath the silence drowns the screams
Confusion will be my epitaph as I crawl, a cracked and broken path
If we make it, we can all sit back and laugh but I fear tomorrow I'll be crying
Yes, I fear tomorrow I'll be crying, Yes, I fear tomorrow I'll be crying
Between the iron gates of fate the seeds of time were sown
And watered by the deeds of those who know and who are known
Well, knowledge is a deadly friend when no one sets the rules
The fate of all mankind I fear is in the hands of fools
The wall on which the prophets wrote is cracking at the seams
Upon the instruments of death the sunlight brightly gleams

When every man is torn apart with nightmares and with dreams
Will no one lay the laurel wreath when silence drowns the screams
Confusion will be my epitaph as I crawl, a cracked and broken path
And if we make it, we can all sit back and laugh but I fear tomorrow I'll be crying
Yes, I fear tomorrow I'll be crying Yes, I fear tomorrow I'll be crying
Crying! Crying!

Brief moment of silence to follow.

THE CREED

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All stand as able.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing as able.

Celebrant: Holy God, in whom we find our refuge and our hope, hear us as we offer our prayers on behalf of all that is yours, saying: My heart, therefore, is glad and my spirit rejoices.

Litanist: You have given your people the confidence to come before you through the new and living way that Jesus Christ has opened for us. Grant your Church the grace to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together but encouraging one another in Christ. We pray especially for Justin, former Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Russell, our Bishop; Will, our Rector; and all other clergy and ministers of your church.

My heart, therefore, is glad

and my spirit rejoices.

Illumine the minds of the leaders of the world with the wisdom that shines like the brightness of the skies. Help us to remember that the future is in your hands and hidden from human view, that we might place our faith less in our clouded understanding than in your divine guidance. We pray especially for Joe, our President; Donald, our President-elect; Kay, our Governor; Robert, our Mayor and Tony, Mayor of Orange Beach.

My heart, therefore, is glad

and my spirit rejoices.

In this time of wars and rumors of war, earthquake and famine, and of nation rising against nation, we pray for the welfare of the world and for the faith to see that these troubles are but the birthpangs of your coming kingdom of peace. We pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine and Russia, in Israel and Palestine and all victims of violence. Bring your peace to our world.

My heart, therefore, is glad

and my spirit rejoices.

Put your laws in the hearts of this community and write them on our minds, that we may approach one another with true hearts in full assurance of faith. We pray for all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces, both at home and abroad, especially our parishioner Chris.

My heart, therefore, is glad

and my spirit rejoices.

Protect all who take refuge in you, O God, remembering especially our parishioners Cal, Carol, Mike, Norma, Betty, Al, Norma, Kimberly, Wiley, Jane, Jackie, Ava, Dawn, Pam, Daphne, Anne, Sonya, Sara, Evie, Joy, Millie, Doris and all on our prayer list. Help them and all of us, to find and follow your path of life that leads toward fullness of joy.

With glad hearts we give thanks.

Help us to remember that in your love, all of us, those here and those gone before us, rest in hope. We commend to you those who have departed before us.

My heart, therefore, is glad

and my spirit rejoices.

Celebrant: Loving God, you have inscribed your holy will upon our hearts and minds: Grant us grace to hold fast to the confession of our hope, without wavering, in the assurance of your faithfulness, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

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All stand as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

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The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

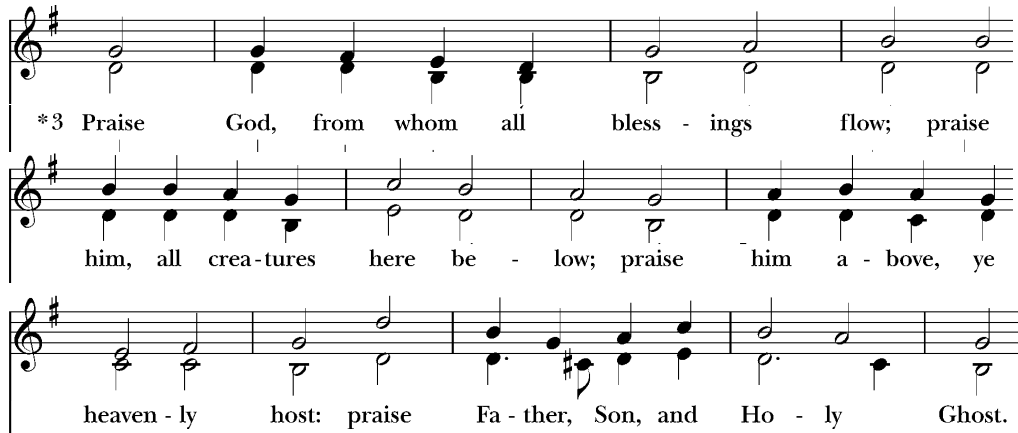
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This is the day

Mark Hayes

Celebrant All things come of thee O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

DOXOLOGY



*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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The People remain standing as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy

Hymnal S 130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

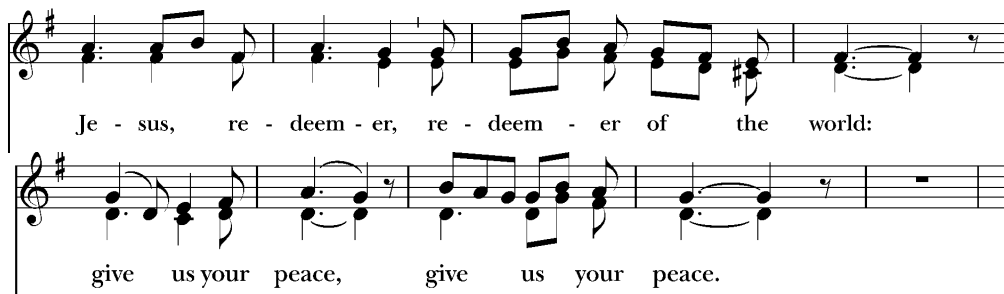
FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus, Lamb of God

Hymnal S164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, everyone, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

DISTRIBUTION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. Wine may be received by drinking from the chalice or by intinction.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

1. In re - mem - brance of me,
2. (In re -)mem - brance of me,

1. eat this bread. In re - mem - brance of me, drink this wine. In re -
2. heal the sick. In re - mem - brance of me, feed the poor. In re -

1. mem - brance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is
2. mem - brance of me, o - pen the door and let your broth - er

1. done. In re -
in, Let him in.

Take, eat, and be com - fort - ed; drink and re - mem - ber

too. That this in my bod - y and pre - cious blood shed for

you, shed for you. In re - mem - brance of me

search for truth. In re-mem-brance of me al-ways love. In re-mem-brance of me, don't look a - bove, but in your heart look for God. Do this in re - mem-brance of me.

I've Got Peace Like a River

LEVAS 201

1. I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a
 2. I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a
 3. I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an

1. riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in my
 2. foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain in my
 3. o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my

1. soul; I've got riv - er in my soul.
 2. soul; I've got foun - tain in my soul.
 3. soul; I've got o - cean in my soul.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

As you leave this place, go forth in peace. Be assured that the past is forgiven and know that the future is in God's hands. Return no evil for evil, remember the poor, pray for the sick, and make no peace with injustice in this world. May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen*

RECESSIONAL HYMN*God, our help in ages past*

Hymnal 680

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
 5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

WELCOME TO HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All who seek to know God in a deeper and more meaningful way are welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive the Sacraments, just cross your arms and a blessing will be given instead. Gluten free communion wafers are available. Please ask the priest as communion is distributed.

NURSERY: We provide a nursery for your convenience for infants and children up to 4 years old. We invite you to bring your child back from the nursery for communion, preferably during the Peace and Announcements.

Those for whom we pray: Cal & Carol Hanson, Mike & Norma Minchew, Katherine Stribling (Jan Waggoner), Marilyn Lewis (Lillian Bemis), Carrietta Nelson (Lillian Bemis), **Al Vondrasek, Norma Black-Glossop,** Kathi Dolder (Sue Wiggins), Judi Kuntz (Ann Lofaro), **Kimberly Worthy,** Deloma Bigham (Rhonda Barber), **Wiley Ashley,** Laura Hermezc (Lillian Bemis), **Jane Taylor,** Jayne Sharp (Lillian Bemis), Abe & Dianne Kattawar (Rose Johnson), Lisa Kanuth (Kimberly Worthy), Mikki Stanley (Kimberly Worthy), Nancy Jones (Marilyn & Bobby Quinn), Terry Kilpatrick (Lillian Bemis), **Jackie Jabour, Ava Trivett,** Debbie, Dave, Eloise & Gigi Welch (Margaret Divito), Mary Ruth Burnes (Lillian Bemis), Valerie Kot (Lillian Bemis), Valerie Wilk (Lillian Bemis), **Dawn Johnson, Pam Webster, Daphne Grimsley,** Seeley Lewis (Marilyn Quinn), **Anne Meydrech,** Matthew Gilbertson (Sam Nelson), **Sonya Urquhart,** Kimberly Brand (Jan Waggoner), Justin Requena (Carolyn Towery), Chip McKee (Ellie Brandon), **Sara Walker,** Helen Lauderdale & family (Witt Lauderdale), **Evie Loftin,** Joyce Marie Borck (Norma Black-Glossop), Melissa Mackey (Lillian Bemis), **Joy Howell, Millie Ericson, Doris Kimmerlin,** Carol Lautenschlager (Nancy & Steve Campbell)

For all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces: Phil Gurney (USN), Blake Buskens (USA), Charlie Conner (USA), **Chris Miller (GSPD),** Joseph Callaway (USN), Savannah Kichler Isenburg (USAF), Jacob Wetzler (USN), Luc Lau (USM), Jack Taylor (USN), Snap Nelson (USMCR), Callaway Williamson (USN), Zachary Russell (USAF), Cailan Ross Ashley (USCG), Joshua Cooper (USA), Margaret Lloyd (USN)

In Thanksgiving for Birthdays in November: Vanessa Hoggatt (6th), Jan Pardue (8th), Baba Grafe (9th), Bev Liebenow (12th), Lee Reid (21st), Judy Allen (29th), Kelby Prince (30th)

Servers

Youth Acolyte-Norah Grace Lowry

Chalice Bearer- Dick Reid

Lectors- Ivey Lowry & Millie Ericson

Ushers- Steve & Margaret Griffin

Altar Guild- Judy Allen, Joy Branch, Nancy Campbell, June Hayles,
Fr Bill Ericson, Leah Reader

Flower Guild- Amanda Prince

Beadle- Dick Reid

Vestry

Dick Reid ('24), Sr. Warden
Sam Nelson ('25), Jr. Warden
Joy Branch ('24)
Gene Poole ('24)
Nancy Campbell ('25), Clerk

John Stomps ('25)
David Adams ('26)
Joe Barber ('26)
Dave Liebenow ('26)

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Dr. Julian Jesubatham-Music Director
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